

4 December 1962

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Plans & Development Staff

THROUGH: Executive Secretary, TDC

SUBJECT: Additional Funding of Variable Magnification Tracing Projector

1. PROBLEM: To provide additional funding for the development of a prototype Variable Magnification Tracing Projector.

2. ASSUMPTION: That such an instrument is needed at NPIC and that no satisfactory instrument is currently available in the commercial market.

3. DISCUSSION OF FACTS:

a. The insistence of the technical monitor that the vendor furnish a smoothly operating, high quality instrument has increased the engineering design cost of this instrument beyond the original estimates. In addition, the vendor was requested by the technical monitor to furnish cost summaries for dust sealing the cabinet and adding a drop-leaf shelf to the instrument.

b. Bausch & Lomb has furnished a cost summary indicating [REDACTED] in additional funds are required to complete the original contract; to dust seal the cabinet will cost [REDACTED] to add a drop-leaf shelf will cost \$597.

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c. The vendor has requested and received approval to subcontract the manufacture and assembly of the instrument with Liberty Tool and Die Company. It is estimated that the use of a subcontractor will provide a saving of nearly [REDACTED] to the Government on the prototype. Approval of the subcontracting phase has been given to the vendor by the technical monitor and contracting office.

d. The additional engineering provided by the requested additional funds will be reflected in a production saving of nearly \$1,000 per instrument on the manufacture of subsequent instruments and therefore in the opinion of the technical monitor was justified.

e. [REDACTED] of PAD and [REDACTED] PD, have indicated that approximately [REDACTED] will be required upon acceptance of the prototype.

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4. RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended that Contract 705, Task Order 3, for a prototype Variable Magnification Tracing Projector be amended to provide a total funding of \$12,301 distributed as follows:

Original Contract Price  
Additional Funding for Prototype Instrument  
Dust Sealing the Cabinet  
Adding a Drop-leaf Shelf

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Acting Chief, Development Branch

APPROVED:

*Signed*  
Executive Director, NPIC

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